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of the apoplectic states of fever.

The brain is an important viscus,  
~~with its diseases~~ chiefly from its being  
 the seat of the mind. Its diseases whether  
 transient, or chronic, are of course highly  
 interesting to a physician. Different mor-  
 bid affections of the brain as to seat &  
 grade produce different symptoms both  
 in the body and mind. Those morbid  
 actions ~~affections~~ which produce alienation of  
 mind, as phrenitis & mania, are supposed to be seated in the  
 upper or cortical part of the brain, ~~those~~  
~~are seated in the dura mater &~~  
 those which produce pain and an effu-  
 sion of water only, as the hydrocephalic states of fever, are supposed to be  
 seated near the Ventricles, those which  
 produce sensation and motion ~~are~~  
 in apoplexy are supposed to occupy



✓ I have lately seen a striking proof  
of the passage of <sup>from of the</sup> one disease into another,  
in the brain. A lady with ~~some~~ <sup>bad</sup> ~~par~~  
= Cytic symptoms went into the cold  
at Bedford in this state. It removed  
her disease, but it induced mania  
of which she died ~~a few weeks ago~~ <sup>in 1810.</sup> in  
our hospital. Mrs Murray ~~1810~~.



The whole brain, while those which  
 suspend thought <sup>sensation</sup> and motion partially  
 as the palsy are supposed to be seated  
 on one part of the brain, and frequently  
 upon <sup>the opposite</sup> ~~that side~~ <sup>of it</sup> to that which  
 is affected by disease. While I thus  
 assign a different seat to in the brain to  
 different diseases, I must add that they  
 are frequently blended, and they often  
 pass into each other. Thus we see the  
 Phrenitis, and hydrocephalic states of fever  
 in the same patient, & both of them  
 produced or decided by Apoplexy or palsy  
 in the ~~course~~ ordinary course of an  
 acute fever. ✓

The remote causes of Phrenitis are  
 such as act primarily & directly upon  
 the brain - these are insolation - in-  
 -toxication - certain poisons, and above



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all contusions upon the head; But a  
concussion of the brain by an injury  
done to the whole body, has sometimes  
induced this ~~city~~ disease. During the  
revolutionary war I recollect an instance  
of it in a soldier brought on by his  
falling upon his feet from the roof of  
a thatched stable. The disease in this  
case proved fatal. The intervals between  
the contusions and concussions, and the  
production of the disease <sup>are</sup> sometimes  
from one to six weeks.

II Phrenitis is induced by causes which  
act <sup>upon the brain</sup> in common with other  
~~parts of the body~~ <sup>as in a secondary manner</sup>. These are the plague, the  
typhoid & typhus fever  
yellow fever, pneumonia, Angina, Colic,  
Dysury, and violent passions  
Hæmorrhoids, ~~but not~~ <sup>or</sup> eruptions when  
or emotions of the mind.



V V. It is sometimes induced by the translation of a disease from one part of the body to the brain, particularly by repelled cutaneous eruptions. -

† In this case, I have supposed congestion only to take place in the brain, and not inflammation. This form of the disease might be called *Phrenitis Notha*, or *congesta*.

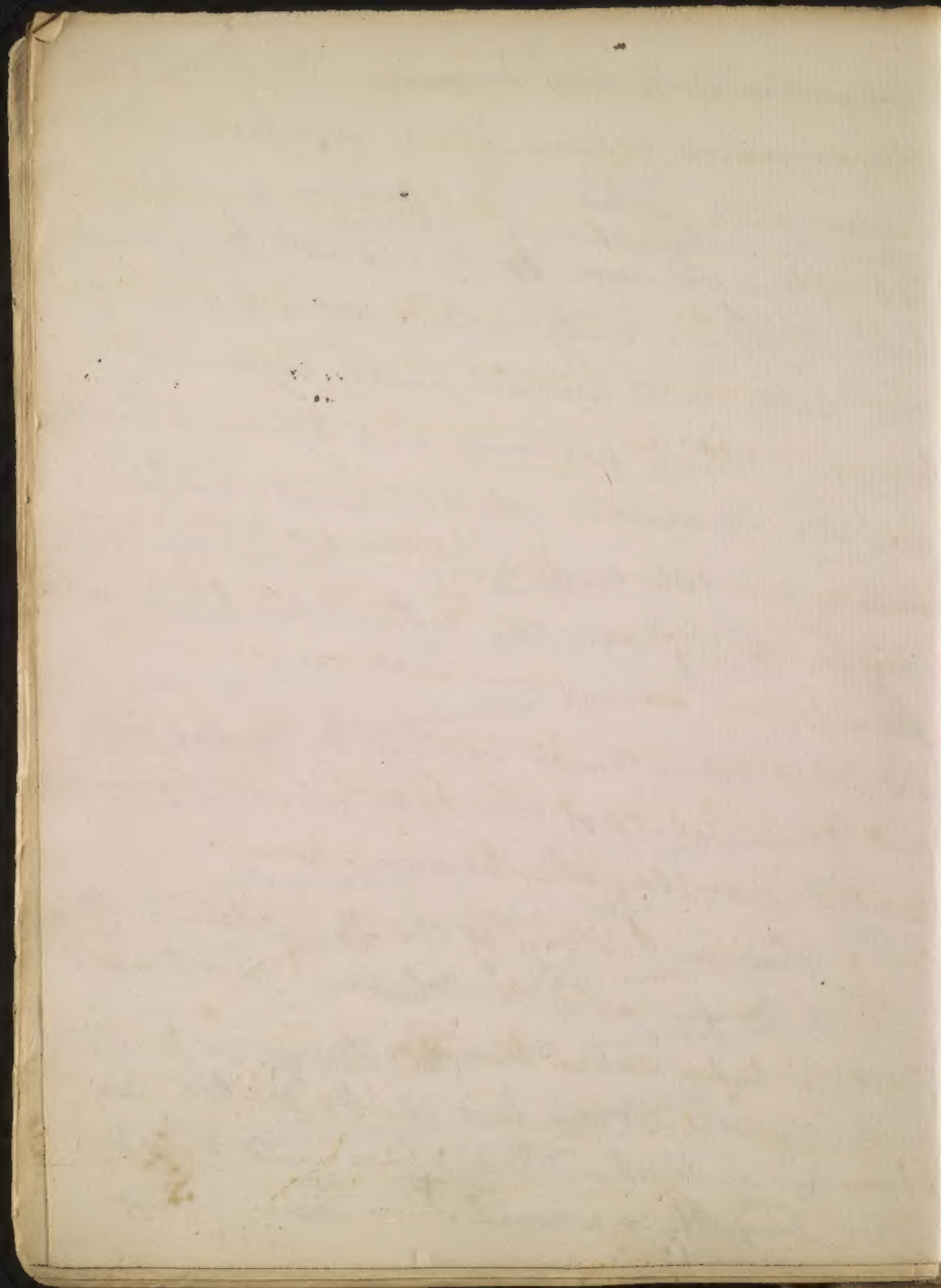


~~transmitted to the brain~~. It is most dangerous when it occurs from Prussic acid or Colic. The disease of a bilious fever is a symptomatic phrenitis. III This disease is induced by causes which <sup>act</sup> primarily upon other parts of the body, and by sympathy upon the brain. Thus worms, and offensive matters in the stomach which excite eructation in the intestines or stomach sometimes bring on the phrenitic state of fever.

IV It is sometimes induced by great pain in those parts of the body which sympathize with the brain. V

For a history of the symptoms of this disease I refer you to DeCullen's first lines. I shall take notice that a synocha pulse generally attends it, but it the pulse is sometimes typhoid, & typhous, and now & then perfectly natural. <sup>for</sup> — ~~the~~ intolerance





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this disease. Alienation of mind consti-  
tutes its most characteristic & universal  
symptom.

It usually terminates in 3.5 or 7 days.  
When protracted beyond the 7<sup>th</sup> day, it some-  
times ends in mania <sup>that is</sup> ~~or~~ chronic phrenitis  
the brain of

Disputations of persons who have died of  
this disease show the following appearances.

The serous Vessels injected with red blood -  
pus from ~~an~~ inflammation terminating

in suppuration - Gangrene - the dura  
mater adhering to the skull - the pia

mater converted into membrane ex-  
tending in thickness the dura mater - Wa-

-ter in the Ventricles of the brain, some  
of the ~~base~~ membranes of the brain

indurated like bone, and lastly no mark  
of disease, from morbid excitement



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transcending inflammation. The brain exhibited this same state <sup>in many</sup> ~~in many~~ ~~in many~~ instances in persons who died ~~in~~ with strong phrenitic symptoms of the yellow fever.

The <sup>early</sup> Delirium Phrenitis is sometimes confounded with madness. They are to be distinguished by the following marks.

1 The perceptions are diseased or erroneously uniform in <sup>Delirium</sup> ~~Phrenitis~~, hence patients affected with it ~~do so~~ mistake their friends and all the objects around them, and ~~are~~ even their local situation. In madness the perceptions are rarely erroneous. When they are, they indicate the highest grade of that disease.

2 <sup>Delirium</sup> ~~Phrenitis~~ discovers itself in incoherent conversation - madness is attended both with incoherent actions & conversations.



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3 The fever in ~~Phrenitis~~ the Delirium  
 from Phrenitis is diffused throughout  
 the whole body, and shows itself in  
 the pulse & <sup>in</sup> ~~last~~ general heat. In mad-  
 ness the fever is ~~not~~ in a great mea-  
 sure suffocated in the brain, and some-  
 times discovers ~~more~~ marks of derange-  
 ment in the ~~pulse~~ or temperature of  
 the body, or in the tongue.

4 In delirium, the excitement of the  
 muscles is generally translated to the  
 bloodvessels, and hence patients affected with  
 it are confined to their beds. In madness  
 the muscles retain not only this na-  
 tural, but an excess of excitement.  
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strength in their muscles, their disease  
 is a state of madness - ~~and not~~  
 5 Patients in the delirium of Phthisis  
 never ~~usually~~ remember what they say, or do.  
 maniacs. <sup>frequently</sup> generally remember all the  
 events that took place during the con-  
 tinuance of their disease. To ~~the~~ <sup>the former</sup>  
~~exception~~ mark, there is one  
 exception. Delirious patients remember  
 the events that pass before them when  
 they do not talk nor act. In this  
 respect you see delirium is upon a  
 footing with dreams. They are remem-  
 bered only when accompanied with si-  
 lence and inaction. Persons who talk  
 or walk in their sleep I said formerly  
 never recollect their dreams.

6 In Delirium when it is a symptom  
 of a general or local disease, there



8 Delirious persons  
✓ ~~They~~ ~~the former~~ save life when  
they sit up them in a recumbent & to  
posture.

9 They are often ~~excited~~ excited  
into regularity order in conver-  
-tion by speaking to them, - or by the  
visit of a friend, or a physician.  
This is noticed by D. Dancin.

10 They complain of head ach. in the  
intervals of delirium. This pain is seldom  
felt in mania & never perhaps except in  
convalescence.

11 There is a want of consciousness in  
delirium as to place. Persons in this



are intervals of reason with the remissions  
or intermissions of the diseases from  
which it originates, but in mania  
there is seldom an interval perfectly  
blind upon all subjects. To this I will  
mention a single exception which  
I shall take notice of in our lecture  
upon the diseases of the mind.

Of the subjects upon which patients  
in the delirium of phrenitis rave,  
are numerous & general, but in mad-  
ness, the alienation of mind is more  
generally confined to one subject: ✓

While I thus distinguish Delirium  
from Madness, let it not be supposed  
that I admit them to be specifically  
different from each other. They differ  
only in the grades of their disease



They are in Apartments, or corners  
of rooms, which their bodies do not occupy.  
12 In delirium the fever often remits daily - ~~not~~ in  
~~mania~~ <sup>mania</sup> for more information upon this  
subject I refer you to my introductory  
lecture on medical jurisprudence.

~~I see that~~ <sup>The</sup> ~~any~~ <sup>premonitory</sup> signs  
of this disease - are great weakness -  
head ach - <sup>a</sup> ~~redness~~ or watery eye - & a  
of mind. In this forming state of the disease,  
rest - a purge - or the loss of a few  
ounces of blood have often effected a  
cure. After the disease is formed =



actions and perhaps in those actions  
 being more circumscribed in the brain  
 in madness than in Delirium. In  
 short madness is to Phrenitis as what  
 pulmonary Consumption is to pneumonia,  
 and Rheumatism to Rheumatism.  
 It is phrenitis only in a protracted  
 or Chronic state. ~~It~~

### Method of Cure

The Remedies for this disease should  
 be 1. Bleeding. This should be from the  
 arm, and when practicable from the  
 temporal artery. It should be most  
 copious when the disease arises from  
 Congestion. Mr. Cline cured Phrenitis  
 from this cause by ~~repeated bleedings~~ ~~repeated~~  
 daily drawing 3℥ of blood daily for  
 20 days from his patient. Dr. Napier







became physician general of the British  
 Army in America in ~~one~~ the last  
 french war in this country, in con-  
 -sequence of his saving the life of the  
 Duke of Cumberland <sup>the</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> son to George  
 the 2<sup>d</sup> ~~was~~ by ~~copious~~ bleeding  
 him profusely in order to remove  
 the ~~too~~ effects of a contusion upon  
 his head by a fall from his horse.  
 The quantity of blood in the brain  
 should be further diminished by keeping  
 the patient's head as much elevated as  
 possible. After copious bleedings  
 cups or leeches may be  
 applied to the head with advantage.  
~~2 bottles~~ The hair of the head should  
 be thinned, or cut off, by ~~which~~  
~~means~~ and cold water, or ice when







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it can be procured, should be kept constantly applied to the head. Dr Wilson recommends the alternate application of cold & hot water to the head. He says it creates an eruption upon the head which affords great relief.

3 The bowels should be kept open two or three times a day by lenient purges and Glysters.

4 The diet should be as low & simple as possible.

5 Light and sound should be abstracted, and company and conversation should be forbidden with the utmost strictness.

6 I spoke formerly of the effects of ~~preventing~~ sleep in this disease.

Dr Stoll recommends it in high fevers. Perhaps the best ~~now~~ means for



v It should never be used to in:  
= due sleep.



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accomplishing this purpose would be by  
small & frequent doses of Laudanum.  
Of Blisters ~~is the first~~ to the Ancles &  
Wrists. This practice I know is not  
general, but it is founded upon one  
of the laws of Persuasion, and the ad-  
vantages of it are confirmed by expe-  
rience. I mentioned those Advantages  
in treating upon the Diseases of the  
Lungs and bowels. ~~It is the~~ Blisters  
to the Ancles and Wrists are equally  
useful in the Diseases of the brain. Let  
us suppose the Action of the blood ves-  
sels in the brain to be at 90, and the  
Stimulus of Blisters to be 70. In  
order to derive any benefit from the  
Blisters, it will be necessary to reduce  
the Action of the blood vessels to <sup>65</sup> ~~70~~, or



V Nature sanctions this practice. hence  
we observe the fever translates a  
violent disease from one part of the  
body to another, until the system  
has been reduced by more or less  
depletion either by time, or medicine.



a little below it, before they <sup>can</sup> act upon them, and when they do, they induce a revulsive action by being applied first to the extremities. In other words it is necessary to ~~loosen~~ <sup>to loosen</sup> the disease in the brain by depletion before we attempt to divert it to another & a safer part of the body, or to create an epispastic disease upon the skin of the Anles or Wrist. Blisters applied to the head, or neck before the action of the blood vessel, in the brain is subdued, either do not act at all, from excess of excitement, ~~or~~ <sup>or</sup> spreading sensibility ~~is~~ upon the head & neck, or they will do harm by attracting a greater determination of blood to the brain, for "pass dolens trahit" is an







aphorism in medicine. Sir John  
 Pringle found blisters to the head to  
 be hurtful even in the delirium of  
 the hospital fever - probably because  
 it was attended with local ex-  
 -citement. ~~blister~~

These cautions are by no means  
 intended to forbid the application of  
 blisters to the head and neck after the  
 reduction of the ~~ex~~ exsusive morbid  
 excitement of the brain, nor in cases  
 in which Delirium occurs in the  
 first stage of <sup>fever</sup> ~~delirium~~ attended with  
 a feeble degree of morbid action in  
 the brain.

It is a salivation should always be resor-  
 -ted to when the disease assumes a  
 Chronic form. Dr. Sydenham saved the



V form of typhoid or typhus  
fever, the remedies should be those  
formerly recommended for those  
forms of fever.



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life of a patient in the Pansy<sup>n</sup> hospital  
by this remedy in whom the disease  
was induced by a contusion upon his  
head. — If the disease put on that

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of great ~~pains~~ should be taken to remove  
all the remote & exciting causes of the  
disease, ~~if it arise from~~ or to accommodate  
our remedies to them. If it arise from  
~~suppressed~~  
the hemorrhoids, they sh<sup>d</sup> be invited to  
the rectum — if from ~~suppressed~~ a sup-  
-puration of urine, it should be extracted  
by the catheter & if from expelled erup-  
-tions, they should be invited to the skin.

✓ with corresponding actions.



There is a ~~relaxation~~ temporary prostration  
of all parts of the brain. The pulse is frequent  
only. But the water soon reacts - & induces the  
pain - Strabismus - Convulsion & death. It  
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① The Remedies for it <sup>in this state</sup> are  
<sup>after much previous study & many dissections previously having</sup>  
1791. - I was led to use this remedy by the  
<sup>first</sup> adoption of the theory I have delivered of this  
disease, which I have delivered in the <sup>in</sup> the  
year 1790. ~~It was~~ <sup>its</sup> this principle soon en-  
couraged me to proceed with it, and to en-  
crease in the quantity of the blood drawn.  
In the year 1801, I drew 300 of blood from  
Miss Hunter by 10 bl. in this disease &  
thereby cured her. ~~But~~ Remember there is no  
back door to the brain, & that more blood  
must be drawn to relieve it than from  
parts in which effusions are after this  
with less fatal or dangerous consequences.

# I think I cured a child of a month old in  
a week by drawing 3iv of blood at two different  
times by means of leeches aided by a blister to the  
head & gentle purges. The disease was induced by an  
overdose of Lland: - or perhaps by an injury to the  
birth. ~~crisifications should be made~~

~~omitted~~ upon the occiput - The connection  
between the Dura mater & the ~~the~~ Scalp by means  
of the sutures <sup>gives</sup> ~~and~~ this mode of drawing blood  
a great probability of being used with success. #

V and if dislodged soon, before the habit of  
disordered action has taken place in the brain,  
may cure it.

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~~He made frequent attempts to bite  
its attendants. & recovered. Bore it all?~~



## Of the Apoplectic state of fever

This form of fever appears frequently in the plague, and in other malignant fevers. It sometimes proves instantly fatal, from the immense force of the miasmata which produce it, suddenly destroying the excitement of the brain. I have seen it occur every other day in a common tertian. It was in a corpulent indolent woman who was predisposed to Apoplexy. It is a higher grade of the Apoplectic state of fever. So many cases of this form of fever occur at the same time as to induce a belief that it is an epidemic, but it is a symptom only of an epidemic fever, and the effect of an impure or miasmatic atmosphere. It is useful to know this

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and rational mode of treating it, but be-  
-cause it enables us to encourage patients  
to believe that their disease will not be  
attended with the same danger that attends  
apoplexy from other causes, and that it  
will not have any danger from a retro-  
-sion ~~to~~ in the brain to its return.

The Remedies for this state of fever should  
its grade. When the ~~system~~ <sup>system</sup> reacts  
they should be: copious bleeding first from  
the arm, and afterwards by cups or leeches  
from the head - 2 Frequent & active  
purges particularly <sup>also Glysters.</sup> Calomel & Jalap. 3  
Emetics if the Stomach discover any marks  
of disease. 4 Blisters first to the limbs,

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V Hippocrates speaks of it as an epidemic,  
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occurrence in the month of May when  
the weather was uncommonly warm,  
also in two successive cold seasons in the  
month of March, viz: in 1747, and  
1748. In all these cases it was a  
symptom of general fever.



and afterwards to the neck & head. 5 Cold  
 applications to the ~~foot~~<sup>head</sup>, and Cataplasms to  
 the feet. 6 a Satiator.

Where no reaction takes place the Remedies  
 should be exclusively Stimulating. When  
 intermissions occur after depletion, the bark  
 should be given. When it appears the typhoid,  
 or typhus states of fever, the Remedies should  
 be the same as for those formerly mentioned  
 for those states of fever.

State  
 of the Paralytic ~~fever~~ of Fever.

This state of fever is less common than  
 the apoplectic. It occurred in a few instances  
 in the year 1793 in the form of Hemiple-  
 gia. I have seen it in the form of Paraplegia  
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 tion before I was able to cure it.

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mother. This child recovered. — Head ach and  
delirium are not uniform symptoms in it.  
Its Causes are primary - secondary.

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directly upon the brain. They are  
contusions from blows or falls. I have  
seen it induced <sup>in</sup> by a child a little boy  
by falling upon his feet ~~down~~ into a  
cellar, and in another boy by standing  
for some time upon his head. Other  
causes of this disease which act indirectly  
upon the brain are strong Drink &  
large doses of Opium - insolation, and  
studies disproportioned to age & capacity.  
The dis secondary causes are diseases  
which affect the whole system. These  
are 1 fever. =



Of the Hydrocephalic State of Juvies, or  
what is commonly called Droopy of the Brain.

For a history of the <sup>ca</sup> symptoms of this  
Disease I refer you to Sothergill, Whytt &  
to a copious extract from the works of  
Dr Guerin published in my medical in-  
quiries. To the symptoms there enumerated,  
I shall only add that I have lately seen it =  
in <sup>two</sup> cases — with a rigidity in the muscles of the limbs,  
attended with a severe hiccup, and in another  
in another, with an inability to speak in a third,  
~~The former of these is a symptom of mania~~  
~~one of generally appears with drops~~  
~~and with mania in a child of two years old~~  
~~generally appears with mania as in~~  
~~mania~~ indirectly. This is acknowledged by Dr  
Sothergill and Dr Whytt, but instead of  
teaching that the disease is caused by  
a remitting or intermitting fever, they  
erroneously ascribe these remissions and  
intermissions to a primary disease in  
the brain. — Dr Willan supports the

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Opinion that it ~~generally~~ <sup>is</sup> a primary  
fever being a primary disease, and that  
the affection of the brain <sup>is</sup> only its symptom.

~~water is~~ The tells us he once saw eight cases of it  
between the 15<sup>th</sup> of March and the end of  
June, and all from fever. I have several

times seen a number of cases with a short  
period which I have ascribed to a prevailing

fever with <sup>the</sup> cephalic Determination. The

Other ~~less~~ secondary causes are 2 dysentery,

3 Diarrhoea 4 Chronic head Ach. 5 Measles.

6 Cutaneous eruptions & 8 pulmonary con-

sumption. In all these cases the primary

disease ceases, or ceases as soon as the

hydrocephalic symptoms take place. The

Sympathetic causes of this disease are matters

irritating some ~~part~~ remote part of the

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V To account for the greater frequency  
of this disease among children, than in  
adults, recollect what was said formerly  
of the greater force of the arteries in child-  
-hood than in adult life, in consequence  
of which more blood is sent to their  
brains and with <sup>a greater proportionable</sup> force than

in grown people. It is for this reason  
probably that the fatal in the medulla spinalis  
is so perceptible in children - like the typhus gland.  
It is sometimes a fatal disease. Dr

Anderson of Chester town in my land informed  
me that he had lost 4 out of 5 of his

children by it. a gentleman in his  
neighbourhood (he further informed) may  
Bowers had lost 9 out of 10 children with  
it between 2 and 4 years old. The surviving

10 child was kept alive only by small  
and frequent bleedings. I have known to  
be twice fatal in the same family & a

3<sup>d</sup> child in that family has been three

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body, and communicating their morbid  
 Action to the brain by means of what  
 I have called an error motus. Worms  
 are in this way a frequent cause of it.  
 The disordered Action in this case often  
 continues after the worms are expelled  
 from the bowels. Here we see, as in many  
 other instances, the error of the old school,  
 taken from Aulus. Viz "Sublata causa  
 tollitur effectus". By removing the cause  
 we remove the effect. Thus a fever  
 a vomiting; a diarrhoea - & many other mor-  
 bid Affections continue after the removal  
 of the remote or exciting cause which in-  
 duced them.

✓ The disease ~~is~~ consists simply in  
 morbid excitement in the brain. This

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times affected with it, and each time  
cured by the Remedies to be mentioned  
Dr Portal mentions, similar instances of its  
presently. — See here <sup>instans</sup>! a striking  
being a fatal disease.  
Illustration of the Cephalic predisposition.

It is common to say "very sensible  
Children" will never tolerate a grey head.  
The remark has some foundation.  
~~It would not be true to say~~ Children with  
premature intellects are generally prone  
the phrenetic predisposition, and this in  
Children is so nearly allied to the cephalic,  
that predisposition, that ~~other~~ common  
diseases ~~are~~ <sup>by long study, or engorgement of the vessels</sup> striking injuries done to  
the brain, readily bring on this Hydro-  
cephalic state of fever — which from being  
neglected, or improperly treated is very apt  
to terminate in death.

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is Obvious 1 from its causes. 2 from its symptoms. 3 from its consequences to be mentioned presently & 4 from the remedies which cure it.

In the books to which I have referred you, you too will find the Disease described <sup>protracted</sup> ~~is a acute~~ only in a chronic form, but it sometimes attacks ~~to~~ suddenly ~~as~~ in which state it has very properly acquired the name of Apoplexy. It is called "Apoplexia Hydrocephalica" by Dr. Fuller in one of the editions of his Nosology, and by Dr. Stoll of Vienna "Apoplexia infantilis." It occurs chiefly in infancy that is under the first year of life. Its causes are 1 a retention of the menses. 2 coagulated & indigestible milk. 3 ~~milk~~ milk rendered morbid by mother or nurse drinking ardent spirits,

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 that alters the healthy quality of the milk.  
~~of an effluvia in the milk~~  
 4 dentition. 5 eruptions upon the skin  
 translated to the brain. 6 an exupine  
 dose of Opium. 7 exquisite pain, & 8 con-  
 - lusions upon the head. Children that  
 are said to be over-laid by their mothers,  
 or Nurses I believe often die with this  
 infantile apoplexy. All sudden deaths in  
 them, are probably derived from this  
 cause. I beg your attention to these  
 remarks. I shall apply them again when I  
 come to treat of Epilepsy & some other  
 diseases of the brain.

The appearances exhibited by the brain  
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excitement. This appearance of the brain long puzzled physicians, and led them to ascribe the disease to a <sup>primary</sup> suppurative diathesis, or to a disease in the stomach, or other parts of the body acting sympathetically upon the brain.

2. Inflammation or edema diffused over the cortical substance of the brain, the pia mater, and the tunica Arachnoidea with but little or no water in the brain.

3. Brown has proved to six ounces of water in the ventricles of the brain. The ~~more~~ the greater the quantity of water, the less remarks of inflammation are perceived in the brain. ~~and~~ This is easily accounted for. The blood vessels retire <sup>discead along</sup> themselves from their ~~distention~~ by the discharge of this water. It was from

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this absence of inflammation that physi-  
 cians were erroneously led to suppose  
 the disease depended upon a dropical  
 effusion in the system. It is strange that  
 this opinion should ever have <sup>been</sup> adopted  
 considering how rarely we see ~~dropical~~  
<sup>even partial dropsy</sup> ~~patients affected with~~ accompanied with,  
 or followed by a dropy of the brain. The  
 water found in the Ventricles of the brain  
 in this disease does not always coagulate  
 with heat, nor is it usually tinged with  
 a yellow color in diseases which impart  
 that color to the serum ~~color~~ of the blood.  
 Water is sometimes found not only in  
 the Ventricles, but between the Dura &  
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Hydatids in the brain of ~~some~~ <sup>a</sup> Thomas  
who died with this disease. ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~head~~ <sup>head</sup> ~~was~~ <sup>was</sup> ~~opened~~ <sup>opened</sup> by Dr. Wislar.

Is Tumors as large ~~as large~~ as a pullets  
egg in the Arachnoid & Cerebellum. &  
5 Pus. This has occurred chiefly in the  
chronic state of the disease.

After the discharge of water into the  
ventricles of the brain there is generally a  
suspension of the pain and fever which often  
imposes upon the young physician. The  
pulse from having been preternaturally slow  
becomes preternaturally frequent, & even  
rapid. This Decubitus ceases seldom continues  
more than two or three days. The reaction of  
the water & revives the pain, & with it  
brings on Strabismus, convulsions  
and death. —





Are there any precursive signs of this disease? - ~~yes~~ I answer in the Affirmative.

They are a sense of heaviness, dulness, costiveness, <sup>head ach - or shooting pains in</sup> crying out in sleep, and sometimes a sickness <sup>the head,</sup> at stomach & vomiting. In this ~~to~~ forming

state of the disease, a purge or two and the loss of a few ounces of ~~blood~~ blood generally perform a cure. It is to be lamented that these symptoms <sup>effluvia</sup> are generally ascribed to worms & nothing <sup>is</sup> done to relieve them until the disease is completely formed. When this is the case, the symptoms are a full, frequent or tense pulse, head ach, cries or moaning - ~~foaming~~ foaming, coma, Dilated pupil, and Obstinate costiveness.

The Remedies in this active state of the disease should be

1 Bloodletting, frequent & copious. I first prescribed this remedy in the year 1790

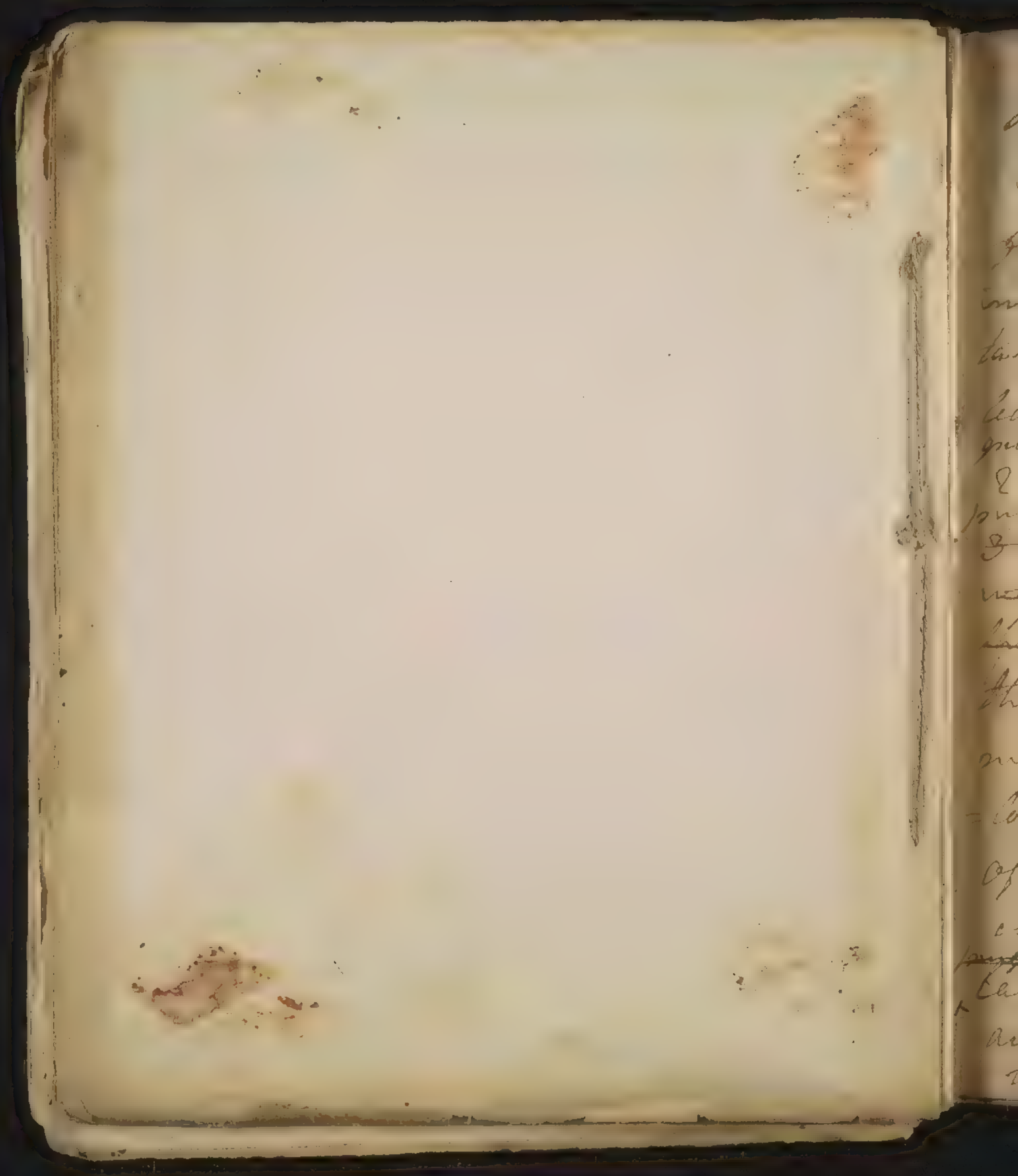




under the direction of the theory of the disease  
which I have delivered, and with a success  
which has led me to use it ever since.

In the year 1801 I drew 3000 of blood from  
a Miss Thurst<sup>aged 16 years</sup> in this disease in the course  
of about two weeks and thereby cured her.

In the year 1808 I drew nearly the same  
quantity from Wm Billington aged 18 in the  
course of two or three weeks, and with the  
same success. The blood in all the cases in  
which I have drawn it exhibited the same  
appearance, which it discovers in all  
diseases ~~involving~~ of great <sup>marked</sup> or inflammation:  
action. Recollect there is no back door, or  
natural outlet for the fluids of the brain  
as there is from the lungs and bowels when  
they are diseased, and that more blood must  
be drawn to save life, than when disease is  
seated in parts that can relieve themselves, or  
that are less essential to life.





I think I have cured this disease by  
 it. - even after effusion has begun,  
 for I have succeeded in several cases  
 in which Stabismus & Convulsions had  
 taken place. Blood may be taken by Cupping  
 leeches as well as from a Vein. <sup>Also by +</sup> Perhaps  
 greater advantages would arise from <sup>opening the temporal</sup>  
<sup>artery than any other mode of bleeding.</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>ch</sup>  
 & Cold Applications to the head. for w  
 suppose the hair sh<sup>d</sup> be cut, or shaved. I have  
 & blisters - to the legs - back & head. ~~from~~  
<sup>and them with great advantage in many cases.</sup>  
~~which suppose the hair sh<sup>d</sup> be cut off &~~

3 purges - These should be active, for  
 the bowels are generally torpid. They should  
 moreover - be such as are calculated to drive  
 lodge worms - for they <sup>when</sup> (if present, as they  
 often are in children) ~~create~~ <sup>purges</sup> if they do not  
~~create~~ - encrease the disease. They sh<sup>d</sup> be  
~~calomel~~ - Rhub<sup>b</sup> & Jalap. Pink root, <sup>to be</sup>  
 avoided. It encreases determination to the  
 brain. I have twice seen the disease aggrava<sup>ted</sup>.

W. In the case of Wm. Billington I was  
much struck by observing - Blisters would  
not rise on the right side of his any part  
of his body. The pain in his head was  
most acute upon his left side.

See com: place for 1803 for this names.  
✓ owing to the facility with which the tender  
Jaws of Children assume the gangrenous  
form of Inflamm<sup>n</sup>. -



by it. -

4 Blisters to the legs - neck & head. To the last they should be large - & kept constantly open. <sup>VI</sup>

5 A salivation was formerly used in this disease. I think I have seen two cases preserved by it out of perhaps an 100 cases in which I have tried it before I had recourse to the lancet. It is still the only medicine upon which any dependance is placed in Britain, & it is still unsuccessful in the hands of the first physicians in that country. <sup>Dr Monro acknowledged from his Chair that</sup> ~~To it is inefficacy~~ It rarely <sup>he had never cured it & if was I believe always</sup> One of his remedies, affects the mouth in children, who are the chief subjects of this disease. When it does, <sup>often</sup> it ~~sometimes~~ induces mortification. <sup>right</sup> ~~too~~ cases of mortification & death have occurred from it in this city within these few years. <sup>lastly</sup> when it induces salivation - ~~it does~~ <sup>unaided</sup> by it.

✓ For all which reasons gent: I charge you  
as you value a human life ~~the~~  
your own reputations, as well as the credit  
of medicine, never to give mercury in order  
to excite a salivation to a Child under 8 or  
10 years of age in this disease. If the remedies  
formerly mentioned do not cure, it will  
be better, far better to let your young patient  
die, than to ~~exhibit~~ <sup>exhibit</sup> ~~as~~ <sup>as</sup> ~~exhaustive~~ <sup>exhaustive</sup> ~~as~~ <sup>as</sup> ~~exhaustive~~ <sup>exhaustive</sup>  
~~disappointing~~ objects to ~~their~~ <sup>exhaustive</sup> ~~parents~~ <sup>as</sup> ~~friends~~ <sup>exhaustive</sup> for  
2 or three weeks, and then to witness this  
death, with all the circumstances that can  
render it painful ~~to~~ <sup>to</sup> their parents &  
friends and injurious to our profession.

friends and my mother.

# I ~~have not~~ lost a patient with this disease  
~~for many years before~~ <sup>in</sup> April 1805. She had been  
indisposed for 10 days before I saw her with an  
acute head ache. The disease came on with an  
inability to speak. - She died in the perfect  
loss of her reason - two things which rarely occur  
in it. In the month of June <sup>1805</sup> I cured it in a child



it does not always cure, <sup>✓</sup> ~~into~~ The

Objections I have made to <sup>a salivation</sup> ~~its use~~ apply  
 with less force to Adults, <sup>persons above 14 years of age,</sup> in whom a ~~saliva-~~  
~~tion~~ <sup>it</sup> is more safe & more easily excited than  
 in children. By <sup>the aid</sup> ~~means~~ of this remedy, the  
 disease may be subdued in ~~grown~~ <sup>such</sup> people  
 by less of than without it - for it acts,  
 not only by abstracting <sup>from the brain</sup> morbid excitement  
 to a safe emunctory, but by reducing the  
 system by depletion.

Should the intermitting form of the dis-  
 ease continue, - Bark may be exhibited  
 with safety & advantage.

The Cold Bath & exercise should always be  
 advised to prevent a relapse. <sup>✓</sup> go to 42

Of this disease it may be said, its  
 as of the *Cynanche Trachealis*, that

of 4 months by the loss of  $\frac{1}{3}$  of blood, & by  
gentle purges.

V To the lancet chiefly we are indebted  
for the cure of this once so formidable  
disease, and to a belief in the efficacy of  
the lancet for the cure of the disease. It is  
true



There was a time *Once*, when its very name filled the breasts of every parent in this City with horror. But that time is now passed. A death from the Hydro: internum is now a rare event - nay the disease itself, as far as it answers to the import of its name, - viz an internal Dropsy of the brain, is scarcely known among us. It is prevented by the general practice of bleeding in all those cases where any of its symptoms appear. <sup>For a belief</sup> ~~To the latest~~ <sup>in the unity of disease</sup> ~~to the latest~~ - that "magnus

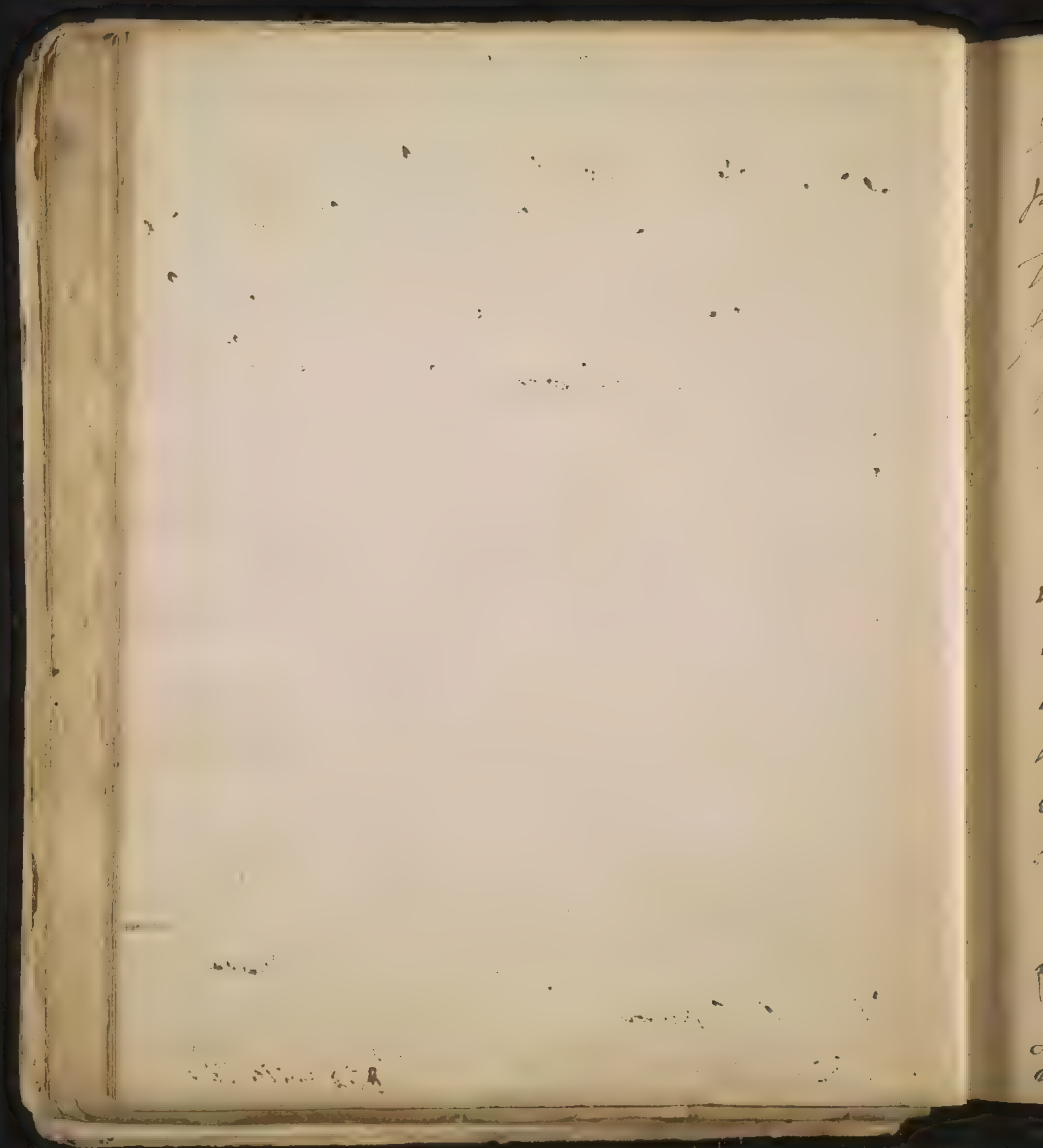
~~Dei domine" (as I mean very properly)~~  
 we are indebted for our knowledge of this medicine  
~~calls Opium) belongs the honor of subduing~~  
 which subdue  
 this Once formidable & terrifying disease,  
<sup>not only</sup> ~~and thereby~~ of wiping away a part of the re-  
 proach of our profession, but rivers of blood  
 from the eyes of our fellow creatures. ~~shall~~

~~X opposed & ridiculed~~ - then ~~secretly~~  
adopted, and afterwards <sup>openly</sup> ascribed to other  
persons.

X Some of those <sup>very</sup> Gent<sup>l</sup> who now as-  
-cribe this mode <sup>of</sup> curing the disease  
to Dr Guin were the most clamorous Ag<sup>t</sup>  
one for daring to make use of it.



never cease to lament the loss of two  
 young lady, & a young gentleman of respect-  
 able families in this City in consequence  
 of ~~may have~~ <sup>the longest</sup> being restrained by in my  
 hand, by the physicians who were called  
 upon to attend them with me. Both those  
 physicians now bleed in this disease, and  
 with general success. ~~Too many facts in the~~  
~~history of this disease, & your duty to go~~  
~~to the gift of Dr Guerin. The last~~  
~~illness & nature of~~  
 hints at the ~~nature~~ of the disease, but had  
 establishes nothing as to its cure. His work  
 did not reach this Country till several years  
 after I had adopted the practice I have recom-  
 mended to you. It was first suggested to me  
 by theory or reasoning upon the nature & history  
 of disease. ~~The~~ first drop of blood that ever  
 was shed in ~~it~~ <sup>this form of disease in</sup> this Country, ~~and~~ <sup>was</sup>  
 by my order, ~~and I am sorry to~~ <sup>thus</sup> ~~be compelled~~  
 to do myself justice, but it is wholly owing  
 to my modes of practice & theories being first



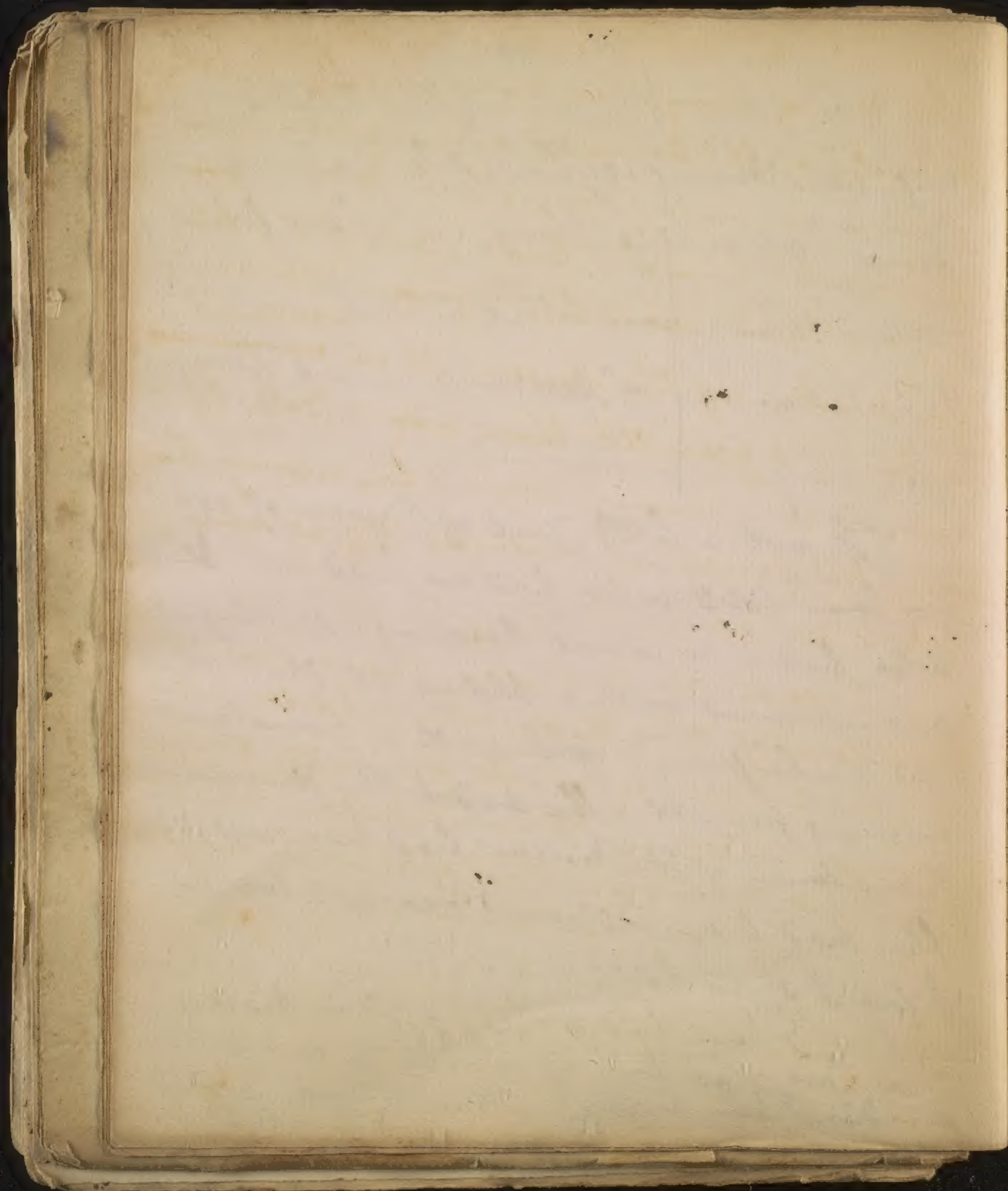


In all these diseases of the head every possible advantage should be taken, from attacking them in their forming state. Their present signs are nearly the same as of ~~fever~~ general fever formerly mentioned.

I lost a little girl of 6 years of age in Jan<sup>r</sup> 1808 who had no head ach. & who had a constant hawking & spitting & accompanied with a bleeding at the nose, and an inflamm<sup>n</sup> of the eyes with a constant running from it. She had the preceding symptoms of the disease had been neglected. She had been indisposed nearly 2 weeks before I saw her.

I have had 5 cases of this disease since last year <sup>1809.10</sup> four of which yielded to the remedies I have used. - One Mr. Cook's daughter died with it. =





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the persons cured a boy of 7 years old  
= In one of ~~them~~ there was a stiffness in the  
muscles of the arms & a lymph node which  
I have generally observed to be fatal - ~~In~~  
I attended him to Dr. Parke, and did little  
more than send his vigorous practice.  
In another of the persons that ~~was cured~~  
a boy of 3 years old, there ~~was~~ a state of  
elevated excitement followed his recovery that  
resembled incipient madness. It was relieved by

of a purge.

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Within the last year I have had six  
severe cases of this disease up to, all  
of which have terminated favourably, viz.  
Thompsons Baker <sup>Dr. Jones</sup>, Whildon Sims  
Turner & Robinsons. Two of them recovered  
after having had convulsions.



